

25th June 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

As we are approaching the end of the academic year our thoughts here in school are turning to the year ahead starting in September. We are delighted with the recent announcements that the Government intend to see all pupils return to school in September. The staff here and myself are keen to get back to normal as soon as possible as long as we are assured it is safe to do so.

In September we will be officially launching the school under its new name of Carlinghow Academy and as such will come new expectations. Here at the academy we are keen to raise the standards in all areas of school life and this will include school uniform.

Having spoken to some of the pupils we have had in school over recent weeks they have been keen to wear ties and look very smart some children asked if we could wear ties and blazers but whilst blazers do look very smart I am aware that they are quite costly and children soon grow out of them. Therefore as a compromise it has been agreed that for the new uniform we will have shirts and ties with a v neck jumper. In order to keep with the colours of the school and in line with the new Carlinghow logo the new uniform will be a **blue v neck jumper** with a **blue and grey stripy elasticated tie**.

We have done a lot of research into the most cost effective suppliers of school uniform and have decided to use Smartuniforms on Bradford Road as our provider. The cost of the jumpers will be £6.50 and cardigans at £7.50 both of which will have the new school logo on. The cost of an elasticated tie will be £2.50.

However, I recognise that purchasing a full new school uniform does not come cheap and I am really pleased to announce, that with a substantial commitment from the school budget, we are in a position where we will be able to provide every pupil of Carlinghow Academy with 2 brand new jumpers or cardigans and a school tie for **FREE!** These will be available for collection from school at the beginning of September. As you receive your weekly welfare call next week you will be asked to what size of jumper/cardigan you will require for your child/children. For those children still currently attending school you will receive an order form attached to this letter.



We have chosen to team the blue jumpers with grey trousers, skirts and shorts and a plain white shirt (collared shirt not polo shirt). If tights are worn these will also need to be grey, socks should be grey or white. Summer dresses should be the blue check summer dresses.

We will continue with our black shoe policy and will allow black trainers for comfort but these are plain black without any coloured logos, marking or soles.



Therefore parents will only now need to purchase white shirts which can be picked up in supermarkets at very reasonable costs and either dark grey trousers or skirts.

This new uniform is for all children in Reception up to Y6. The children in Nursery including the 2 year old provision will be expected to wear the uniform except it will need a white polo shirt instead of the shirt and tie and will therefore only be provided with 2 jumpers or cardigans.

This new uniform policy will be strictly adhered to and is good preparation for the expectations of uniform at secondary school.

Please contact the admin or pastoral team if you have any questions or concerns regarding the new school uniform.

Yours faithfully,

Miss. D. Worthington
Principal